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PRIMARY ACADEMIC POSITION	2020 -	Assistant Professor, Ha	rris School of Public Policy, University of Chicago		
EDUCATION	2019	Ph.D., Economics, University of California at Berkeley Dissertation: "Agency and Market Efficiency in the U.S. Health Care Industry" Advisors: Benjamin Handel & Jonathan Kolstad			
	2011		d Economics, American University		
OTHER ACADEMIC	2023 -	•	w (Economics of Health), National Bureau of Economic Research		
Positions	2023 -		al Reserve Bank of Chicago		
	2021 -		ncare Markets and Regulation Lab, Harvard University		
	2021 -	Faculty Affiliate, Gilber			
	2020 -		r-Friedman Institute, University of Chicago		
	2019 - 2020	Postdoctoral Associate	, Tobin Center for Economic Policy, Yale University		
PUBLICATIONS	"What Does a Deductible Do? The Impact of Cost-Sharing on Health Care Prices, Quantities, and Spending Dynamics" (with Amitabh Chandra, Benjamin Handel, and Jonathan Kolstad), <i>Quarterly Journal of Economics</i> , 2017, 132(3): 1261-1318				
	"The Behavioral Foundations of Default Effects: Theory and Evidence from Medicare Part D" (with Timothy Layton, Boris Vabson, and Adelina Yanyue Wang), <i>American Economic Review</i> , 2023, 113(10): 2718-2758				
	"Is There Too Little Antitrust Enforcement in the US Hospital Sector?" (with Zack Cooper, Stuart Craig, and Lev Klarnet), forthcoming at <i>American Economic Review: Insights</i>				
WORKING PAPERS	"Rationing Medicine Through Bureaucracy: Authorization Restrictions in Medicare" (with Samantha Burn, Timothy Layton and Boris Vabson), revisions requested at <i>American Economic Review</i>				
	"Who Pays For Rising Health Care Prices? Evidence from Hospital Mergers" (with Zack Cooper, Stuart Craig, Lev Klarnet, Ithai Lurie, and Corbin Miller)				
	"Privatizing Social Health Insurance: Medicare Advantage vs. Traditional Medicare" (with Yalun Su, Boris Vabson, Scott Bilder, Barton Jones, Iman Mohammadi, Zulkarnain Pulungan, and Christie Teigland)				
	"Intermediation and Vertical Integration in the Market for Surgeons" (with Mathijs de Vaan)				
RESEARCH IN PROGRESS	"Pharmacy Benefit Managers and Vertical Relationships in Drug Supply" (with Catherine Che and Benjamin Handel)				
	"Patience: Queuing in the English National Health Service" (with Samantha Burn)				
	"Productivity Spillovers, Common Agency, and the Underprovision of Hospital Performance Incentives" (with Scott Loring)				
TEACHING	2025 - 2025 - 2020 - 2023	Issues in Health Policy	mics for Policy Analysis II (PhD) (Undergraduate/Masters) nomics and Public Policy I (Masters)		

GRANTS AWARDED

2023 Washington Center for Equitable Growth, "Tracking Hospital Mergers and Understanding Which Markets are Changing" (Investigator, PI: Cooper)

2022 - 2024 Commonwealth Fund, "Pharmacy Benefit Managers and Vertical Relationships in Drug Supply" (Co-Principal Investigator, PIs: Brot-Goldberg/Handel)

2022 - 2024 Arnold Ventures, "Pharmacy Benefit Managers and Vertical Relationships in Drug Supply" (Co-Principal Investigator, PIs: Brot-Goldberg/Handel)

2021 Becker-Friedman Institute, "Rationing Medicine Through Bureaucracy: Authorization Restrictions in Medicare" (Principal Investigator)

2020 - 2022 Arnold Ventures, "Key Competition Issues in Health Care Markets: Private Equity Ownership, Vertical Integration, and the Labor Market Effects of Hospital Consolidation" (Investigator, PI: Cooper)

2020 - 2022 Arnold Ventures, "Competition Between Pharmacy Benefit Managers: A Structural Analysis of Two-Sided B2B Markets" (Co-Principal Investigator, PIs: Brot-Goldberg/Handel/Kolstad)

2015 - 2016 Jameel Poverty Action Lab, U.S. Health Care Delivery Initiative, "Mobile-izing Medicine: The Effect of Accessible Clinical Practice Guidelines on the Quality of Hospital Care" (Investigator, PI: Handel)

HONORS, AWARDS, & FELLOWSHIPS

2023	ASHEcon Program Chair Award
2019	Richard Scheffler Health Economics Dissertation Award
2018 - 2019	UC Berkeley Doctoral Completion Fellowship
2018	NIHCM Foundation Health Care Research Award
2015 - 2018	National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
2015	UC Berkeley Psychology and Economics Student Prize
2013 - 2015	Departmental Fellowship, UC Berkeley Economics Department

INVITED
PRESENTATIONS
(INCLUDING
SCHEDULED*)

2025 Toulouse School of Economics*

2024 George Washington Public Health, Johns Hopkins, UIUC Gies (Finance), Chicago Booth, ASHEcon (1 discussion), Chicago *

Penn Wharton (Health Care Management), UCLA Anderson (Strategy), UCLA Public Health (Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy), NBER (Public Economics), BFI Health Economics Initiative Annual Conference, Hal White Antitrust Conference, ASHEcon (1 presentation, 1 discussion), NBER Summer Institute (Aging), Northwestern Conference on Antitrust Economics and Competition Policy, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

Chicago Booth, UC Berkeley, APPAM (1 presentation, 1 discussion), CEPRA/NBER Conference on Aging, Cognitive Ability, and Decision-Making (1 presentation, 1 discussion), NYU, Notre Dame, IIOC (1 presentation, 1 discussion), Bates White Life Sciences Symposium, SITE Conference on the IO of Healthcare and Consumer Finance Markets, US Treasury OTA Annual Conference, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

ASSA Meeting (1 presentation), UC Berkeley/Chicago (joint seminar), ASHEcon (2 discussions), Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, 12th Annual Empirical Health Law Conference, NBER (Public Economics/Insurance)

2020 BU/Harvard/MIT Health Economics Seminar, ASHEcon (1 discussion), Georgetown Mc-Donough

Columbia GSB, Duke Fuqua, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Yale SOM, UBC, Federal Trade Commission, Chicago Harris, Becker Friedman Institute Health Economics Initiative Annual Conference, ASHEcon (2 presentations, 1 discussion), NBER Summer Institute (Health Care), Yale Economics, Annual Health Economics Conference, Midwest IO Fest, FTC Microeconomics Conference, Yale Health Policy & Management

2018 ASHEcon (2 discussions), UC Berkeley (IO and Haas EAP)
2016 Nuna Health, ASHEcon (1 presentation, 2 discussions)

PREDOCTORAL	2017	Research Assistant to Joseph Farrell		
Positions	2013 - 2015	Consulting Researcher, Microsoft Research New England		
	2014 - 2015	Graduate Student Instructor, UC Berkeley		
	Sp. 2015	ECON 201B, Economic Theory, Benjamin Hermalin		
	Fa. 2014	ECON 191, Topics in Economic Research, Joseph Farrell		
	2014	Research Assistant to Benjamin Handel		
	2011 - 2013	Research Assistant, Microsoft Research New England		
PROFESSIONAL	2023	Co-organizer, Becker-Friedman Institute IO+ Conference		
SERVICE	2023	Scientific committee, Midwest Health Economics Conference		
	2021 -	Co-organizer, Harris Public Policy and Economics Workshop		
	2020 -	Co-organizer, CHeSS Health Economics Workshop		
	2020	American Economic Review Excellence in Refereeing Award		

Ad-hoc reviewer for American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, American Economic Review, American Economic Review: Insights, American Journal of Health Economics, Annals of Internal Medicine, Econometrica, Health Affairs, Health Economics, Health Services Research, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Industrial Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Political Economy: Microeconomics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Risk and Insurance, Marketing Science, Quantitative Economics, Quarterly Journal of Economics, RAND Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Review of Economics and Statistics